

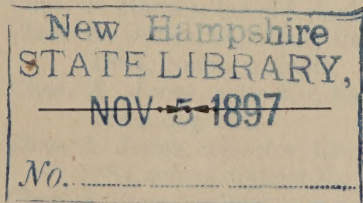
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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SELECTMEN
OF THE
TOWN OF MILTON,
TOGETHER WITH THE
REPORT OF THE SCHOOLS,
FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 1,

1885.



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SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
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FOR THE YEAR
ENDING MARCH 1, 1884

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REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Received from former treasurer, common funds,	\$ 720 71
“ “ dog funds,	136 00
“ state, savings bank tax,	1,524 65
“ “ railroad tax,	199 10
“ “ literary fund,	159 04
“ “ bounties on woodchucks,	28 20
“ alms farm, from Wm. Sanborn, for pasture,	15 00
“ John F. Hart, for grass,	17 50
“ alms farm, lumber,	37 50
“ “ keeping droves,	15 00
“ county of Strafford, for support of poor,	330 70
“ Mrs. Albert Nutter, in payment of Dr. Pitcher, 1883,	12 00
“ Chas. T. Haines, for old shed,	18 00
“ Chas. A. Jones, collector, list of 1884, common funds,	4,189 05
“ Chas. A. Jones, collector, list of 1884, dog tax,	130 00
“ Chas. A. Jones, collector, list of 1884, school district No. 9,	193 99
“ Chas. A. Jones, collector, list of 1884, fire precinct,	
“ Chas. A. Jones, collector, list of 1884, highway taxes,	
Total receipts,	\$7,844 37

EXPENDITURES.

Paid state tax,	\$1,116 00
county tax,	1,281 93
town tax,	6 72
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	\$2,404 65

SCHOOLS.

Paid Jacob F. Staples,	Prud. Com. Dist. No. 1,	\$128 00
Frank P. Cook,	" "	2, 80 00
Chas. S. Lowd,	" "	3, 71 00
Perkins F. Mott,	" "	4, 105 00
George H. Plumer,	" "	5, 66 00
Wm. E. Pillsbury,	" "	7, 435 00
Joseph F. Willey,	" "	8, 138 00
B. F. Avery,	" "	9, 189 00
James H. Twombly,	" "	10, 85 00
Joseph C. Young,	" "	11, 31 00
Charles D. Remick,	" "	12, 58 26
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		\$1,386 26

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid W. E. Pillsbury, M. D.,	\$18 00
W. F. Wallace, M. D.,	30 00
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	\$48 00

SPECIAL TAXES.

Paid B. F. Avery, school district No. 9,	\$100 00
B. F. Avery, Milton fire precinct,	90 00
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	\$190 00

SHEEP DAMAGE.

Paid G. H. Jones,	\$31 50
Geo. F. Shortridge,	5 00
John S. Applebee,	31 00
Wm. H. Willey,	19 00
J. H. Doughty,	2 00
J. N. Witham,	4 00
Cora Garland,	3 50
Gilbert Shorey,	7 00
Lydia Hatch,	10 50
Ephriam Plumer,	10 00
C. H. Leighton,	6 00
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	\$129 50

COUNTY POOR.

Paid D. E. Edgerly, supplies for Mrs. R. B. Downing,	\$39 00
Henry Downs, for board of J. O. Drew and wife,	61 00
Wm. F. Wallace, medical aid for J. O. Drew,	13 75
J. P. Tebbetts, coffin, box and robe for J. O. Drew,	11 50
Wm. F. Wallace, medical aid for T. H. Nutter,	2 50
John H. Hersey, care of T. H. Nutter,	8 00
John S. Hersey, house rent for Wm. H. Corson,	6 00
John Young, medical aid for Wm. H. Corson's family,	14 00
E. Downing, nursing Mrs. Wm. H. Corson,	5 00
W. H. H. Pinkham, supplies for Wm. H. Corson's family,	3 00
Wm. F. Wallace, medical aid for Frank Smith,	48 00
Henry A. Jenkins, board of Frank Smith,	10 00
J. P. Tebbetts, coffin, robe and box for Frank Smith,	12 00
John U. Simes, supplies for Mrs. B. F. Goodwin family,	37 10

Paid Waumbeck Co., supplies for Mrs. B. F. Goodwin family,	\$ 2 70
W. E. Pillsbury, medical aid for Mrs. B. F. Goodwin family,	4 50
Joseph Boldue, board of Mary Bassard,	4 50
D. T. Parker, for medical aid, as per contract,	40 00
for tramps and transportation,	5 15
W. E. Pillsbury, medical aid for Hiram Cheney family,	4 50
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	\$332 20

TOWN POOR.

Paid W. F. Wallace, medical aid for Abbie Ellis,	\$11 00
James A. Davis, for digging grave for Frank Smith,	1 50
John H. Hersey, for carrying T. H. Nutter to county farm,	4 84
W. F. Wallace, medical aid for A. F. Downs,	12 00
“ “ A. Harod,	6 75
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	\$36 09

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid Lewis W. Nute, district No. 1,	\$ 7 31
J. O. Reynolds,	7 80
A. G. Burrows,	4 27
H. W. Ricker,	3 22
Alonzo Nute,	4 12
J. H. Cook,	6 90
H. B. Hayes,	2 21
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	\$35 83

Paid Geo. H. Hurd, district No. 2,	\$ 5 85
W. H. H. Pinkham,	13 20

Paid G. E. Hurd, district No. 2,	\$ 4 35
G. H. Plumer,	4 80
Stephen Nute,	7 20
Alonzo E. Nute,	2 85
G. A. W. Nute,	4 65
A. H. Nute,	3 30
S. T. Nute,	1 80
J. D. Garland,	1 65
C. E. Plumer,	1 05
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	\$50 70

Paid M. D. Goodall, district No. 3,	\$28 95
Henry Amazeen,	1 35
G. M. Tebbetts,	3 00
Frank Copp,	60
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	\$33 90

Paid P. F. Mott, district No. 4,	\$ 3 90
J. H. Varney,	12 45
M. V. B. Cook,	26 70
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	\$43 05

Paid Henry A. Jenkins, district No. 5,	\$16 95
Geo. H. Eastman,	8 70
James A. Davis,	30
A. F. Jenkins,	7 50
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	\$33 45

Paid J. P. Wentworth, district No. 6,	\$12 30
J. A. Wentworth,	13 20
J. T. Downs,	10 20
B. F. Hayes,	1 95
F. L. Downs,	4 80
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	\$42 45

Paid B. W. Foss, district No. 7,	\$ 5 40
James Hanscome,	6 71
Albert Mason,	3 00
A. W. Jones,	1 80
C. A. Ricker,	1 65
C. D. Remick,	4 20
H. Bradbury,	1 73
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	\$24 49

Paid Geo. Lyman, district No. 8,	\$ 2 85
Luther Hayes,	4 80
G. H. Jones,	60
C. A. Jones,	1 35
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	\$ 9 60

Paid B. F. Avery, district No. 9,	\$ 6 80
H. B. Scates,	2 03
H. H. Wentworth,	2 48
D. T. Rowe,	60
I. S. Knox,	60
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	\$12 51

Paid John S. Remick, district No. 10,	\$ 4 50
F. P. Jones,	9 45
E. W. Plumer,	12 90
Joseph Plumer,	4 95
Calvin Mason,	6 00
J. E. Hayes,	30
David Wallingford,	3 15
F. G. Horne,	2 40
S. W. Wallingford,	7 05
Alfred Trask,	6 52
M. D. Doe,	3 00
J. L. Twombly,	3 67
L. Clements,	3 15
C. C. Dorr,	1 05

Paid G. F. Henderson, District No. 10,	\$ 1 46
Jacob Staples,	2 17
S. D. Dorr,	3 45
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	\$75 17

Paid Lewis Plumer, district No. 11,	\$ 6 45
G. L. Plumer,	7 95
W. F. Mills,	2 40
H. D. Whitehouse,	90
Edwin Jenness,	30
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	\$18 00

Paid Jonas S. Laskey, district No. 12,	\$15 22
J. F. Willey,	21 53
G. P. Meader,	45
John Evans,	3 00
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	\$40 20

Paid Eli Wentworth, district No. 13,	7 20
C. S. Lowd,	5 47
W. Hapgood,	30
J. E. Wentworth,	2 02
Noah Merrow,	5 25
John Congdon,	60
R. J. Wentworth,	30
A. Sanborn,	97
Moses H. Remick,	2 70
T. J. Cutts,	1 57
W. F. Mills, Jr.,	1 50
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	\$27 88

Paid C. F. Hart, district No. 14,	\$ 9 83
Nathaniel Rines,	6 60
Edmund Horne,	5 85

Paid Z. F. Drew, District No. 14,	\$ 4 05
N. H. Dorr,	4 05
Wm. Otterway,	4 80
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	\$35 18

Paid E. R. Hussey, district No. 15,	\$ 5 10
E. F. Hussey,	3 00
Charles Lowd,	90
J. G. Sanborn,	10 95
Jonathan Berry,	1 80
Hiram H. Berry,	1 28
D. P. Goodwin,	2 17
Mark N. Sibley,	2 17
John Butler,	1 95
Wash. Farnham,	30
E. D. Farnham,	30
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	\$29 92

Paid Gilbert Shorey, district No. 16,	\$ 4 57
F. P. Cook,	15 67
W. E. Moore,	3 60
Eli Varney,	2 32
Fred Brawn,	2 47
Joseph Brawn,	2 02
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	\$30 65

Paid Eri Tebbetts, district No. 17,	\$ 83
Ira W. Hayes,	3 88
Thomas Hayes,	2 78
W. H. Hurd,	3 45
A. H. Hayes,	3 45
John P. Hayes,	7 50
Charles Hayes,	10 35
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	\$32 24

Paid Simon C. Dow, district No. 18,	\$15 00
Henderson Willey,	9 20
Hazen Plumer,	3 25
C. A. Ricker,	4 27
C. W. Corson,	2 25
Elisha Merrow,	1 50
H. V. R. Edgerly,	1 80

\$37 27

Paid T. J. Howe, district No. 19,	\$ 7 24
heirs Ira Howe,	11 02
E. Hatch,	5 77
heirs J. W. Varney,	5 32
Frank Varney,	1 12
R. Swinerton,	1 05
J. W. Johnson,	3 07
E. G. Knight,	2 11
H. Thurston,	15
A. H. Wentworth,	75
J. H. Hersey,	7 95

\$45 55

Paid W. F. Cutts, district No. 20,	\$12 00
J. S. Applebee,	7 20
S. G. Chamberlin,	7 75
Samuel Remick,	75
N. J. Witham,	45
E. S. Simes,	45

\$28 60

Paid Daniel C. Emery, district No. 21,	\$ 9 97
Geo. D. Canney,	14 48
Ira A. Cook,	6 10
J. H. Hersey,	48 45
D. B. Goodwin,	9 19
S. K. Goodwin,	5 47

Paid H. Thurston, district No. 21,	\$ 3 72
C. H. Pulsifer,	6 45
Lester Emery,	6 82
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	\$110 65
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Paid Chas. W. Corson, district No. 22,	\$ 2 85
E. Plumer,	10 05
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	\$12 90
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Paid G. F. Shortridge,	\$ 4 80
Moses H. Remick,	2 55
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	\$817 54
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REPAIRING HIGHWAYS.

Paid W. H. H. Pinkham, district No. 3,	\$12 00
Geo. H. Hurd,	3 75
W. H. Hurd,	3 00
J. P. Hayes,	2 25
D. P. Downing,	3 12
G. H. Plumer,	9 50
G. E. Hurd,	4 50
C. W. Downing,	3 12
A. E. Nute,	2 25
D. P. Downing, cutting bushes,	10 00
H. A. Jenkins, district No. 5,	2 40
B. F. Avery, 8 1-10 days,	10 15
B. F. Avery, horse 3 days,	3 00
F. P. Copp, cutting bushes,	7 00
Geo. Lyman,	10 50
Hiram W. Ricker, district No. 1,	2 60
H. B. Scates, 13 1-2 days,	18 50
M. Cummings,	4 50
G. F. Shortridge, cutting bushes,	3 00
Ira W. Duntley, iron and work,	4 90

Paid Theodore Lyman, use of plow,	\$ 1 50
Luther Hayes, bridge plank,	5 34
Luther Hayes, 3 1-2 days,	5 25
B. W. Foss, 5 days in district No. 7,	6 25
C. A. Jones, district No. 8,	1 85
S. A. Seavey, scrapers,	13 50
A. E. Nute, on Winding Hill road,	87
W. E. Moore,	87
W. H. Hurd,	1 50
J. P. Hayes,	2 17
W. H. H. Pinkham,	87
G. H. Hurd,	87
G. H. Plumer,	1 75
M. Tebbetts,	87
H. H. Wentworth,	4 60
J. F. Willey,	1 50
J. P. Hayes, district No. 17,	7 24
Thomas Hayes,	1 25
I. W. Hayes,	1 62
A. E. Nute,	5 50
Stephen Nute, district No. 2,	2 00
G. H. Plumer,	7 00
W. H. H. Pinkham,	6 00
J. D. Garland,	9 13
G. H. Hurd,	1 50
W. H. Corson,	1 37
J. P. Wentworth, district No. 6,	21 35
J. A. Wentworth,	8 70
J. T. Downs,	8 25
F. L. Downs,	5 70
B. F. Hayes,	3 00
G. H. Eastman,	7 27
S. W. Main,	1 20
C. L. Peverley,	1 50
James A. Davis,	2 40
John Copp,	80
C. T. Haines, branch bridge,	1 50
Daniel Philbrick,	5 40
J. S. Applebee,	2 25
Frances Coffin,	1 50

Paid J. G. Rines, branch bridge,	\$ 75
Ira Miller, spikes,	91
H. B. Scates, on new highway,	135 00
W. H. H. Pinkham, "	5 00
Geo. H. Hurd, "	5 00
Geo. E. Hurd, "	5 00
W. H. Hurd, "	5 00
J. P. Hayes, "	13 00
D. T. Rowe, land damage,	90 00
Lizzie S. Shapleigh, "	120 00
Susan V. Avery, "	10 00
W. H. Gerrish, "	15 00
Lewis Plumer, bridge timber,	51 06
John D. Willey,	1 50
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	\$740 05

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid Luther Hayes and E. W. Fox, auditors,	\$ 4 00
C. W. Folsom, printing town reports,	18 00
" " blanks,	1 50
E. J. Lane & Co., books,	5 87
John U. Simes, services as selectman from March 1, 1884, to March 14, 1884,	12 00
estate of Asa Jewett, rent of land for station house for 2 years, ending Sept. 1, 1884,	12 00
for bounties on woodchucks,	28 20
James W. Johnson, supervisor of check-list,	13 50
Henry B. Scates, "	10 00
E. W. Fox, "	12 54
George Lyman, services and expenses settling state and county tax,	8 85
A. J. Remick, ministerial money,	12 00
Calvin Mason, "	12 00
John A. Wentworth, "	12 00
E. W. Fox, "	12 00
Ed. Abbott, "	12 00

Paid James Hanscome, public watering place,	\$ 3 00
S. F. Rines,	3 00
C. A. Horne,	2 00
Theo. Lyman,	2 00
C. W. Folsom, printing school notices and check-list,	11 50
W. F. Wallace, M. D., record of births and deaths,	3 75
W. E. Pillsbury, M. D., record of births and deaths,	3 50
Geo. L. Plumer, hauling and sawing lumber,	72 27
Chas. C Hayes, surveying street at Ponds village,	1 00
A. H. Watson, examining records,	75
Charles H. Looney, services as town clerk,	32 00
Charles A. Jones, services as collector, 1884,	70 00
“ abatements, common taxes,	32 62
“ “ dog taxes,	12 00
Ira Miller, town treasurer,	21 00
George Lyman, services and expenses as overseer of poor,	32 00
George Lyman, services and expenses as selectman,	80 35
W. H. H. Pinkham, services and expenses as selectman,	57 50
Chas. T. Haines, services and expenses as selectman,	49 00
A. A. Fox, building watering place,	34 50
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	\$710 20

RECAPITULATION.

Receipts, as per page 3,		\$7,844 37
Payments, state, county and town taxes,	\$2,404 65	
Schools,	1,386 26	
School committee,	48 00	
Special taxes,	190 00	
Sheep damage,	129 50	
County poor,	332 20	
Town poor,	36 09	
Breaking roads,	817 54	
Repairing highways,	740 05	
Miscellaneous bills,	710 20	
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	\$6,794 49	
Balance in treasury, { common funds,	925 38	
{ dog funds,	124 50	
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		\$7,844 37

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE LYMAN,	} Selectmen of Milton.
W. H. H. PINKHAM,	
CHARLES T. HAINES,	

MILTON, N. H., March 2, 1885.

This certifies that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the selectmen for the year ending March 1, 1885, and find them well vouched and correctly cast.

JOHN U. SIMES,	} Auditors.
BARD B. PLUMMER,	

SCHOOL REPORT.

DISTRICT No. 2.

First term—Mattie H. Pike, teacher. A district unpleasantness rendered this term less profitable than it might have been under more favorable circumstances. The pupils are bright and anxious to learn, but the Scriptural adage, "A house divided against itself cannot stand," rendered this term not very profitable to those who did not attend. If some good Samaritan would only cast a little oil on the troubled waters there would good results follow. Second term—Sara Horne, teacher. This teacher grasped this horn of the dilemma and kept quite a creditable school.

Wages—first term, \$22.00 per month; second term, \$24.00 per month. Attendance—first term, 11; second term, 14. Visitors—parents, none.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Miss Marth W. Hussey, teacher. Wages of teacher, \$20.00 per month. No. of scholars in district, 9. This district had but one term, which was well attended, and the scholars made good progress.

DISTRICT No. 4.

There are three things essential to a good school—a good teacher, good pupils and a good schoolhouse. This district possesses all these essentials, and a good school was the result. First term—teacher, Flora N. Runnels. No one tried harder than she to teach a good school, and she succeeded. Second term—Emma A. Reynolds, an experienced and ambitious teacher. She seemed to appreciate the pupils, and they did her. This district could not do better than secure her services again.

Wages—first term, \$20.00; second term, \$18.00. Attendance, 17 and 15. Visited by parents, 20.

DISTRICT No. 6.

A man born with great genius and with a strong thirst for learning might acquire knowledge under most any variety of surroundings, but people are not, as a rule, born that way; hence the necessity of having a pleasant, comfortable room to sit in for 6 long hours of the day. The chief difficulty in some sections is too small districts and too little money. An infinity of diseases are engendered by badly-seated, illy-ventilated and scantily-warmed schoolrooms. This is true of quite a number of schoolrooms in Milton. Teachers—first term, Minnie F. Johnson; second term, Mattie H. Pike. Wages—first term, \$18.00; second term, \$18.00. Attendance, 8 and 11. Number of visits by parents—first term, none; second term, none.

DISTRICT No. 7.—PRIMARY.

First term was taught by Miss Edith Simes, assisted by Miss Jennie Stevens. Wages of Miss Simes, \$20.00 per month. Wages of Miss Stevens, \$12.00 per month. Fall term was taught by Miss Jennie Stevens, assisted by Miss Annie E. Lewis. Wages of Miss Stevens, \$20.00 per month. Wages of Miss Lewis, \$8.00 per month. The progress of this school was retarded greatly by the number of pupils in the same room. The average was 52, all under 13 years of age. The teachers tried hard and were successful in keeping quiet and order, but not the stillness that was desired. We think if this school could be divided, so that the smallest could have a room by themselves, it would be far better.

DISTRICT No. 7.—HIGH.

There were two terms of school, both taught by W. J. Maybury. Wages of teacher, \$45.00 per month. Mr. Maybury is a first-class teacher. All of the scholars did well and made good progress, and did credit to themselves, as well as to their teacher. By a major vote of the district this was made a high school district, and we have a regular course of study, which will fit the pupils who go through with it for any kind of business, with a great saving of expense to the parents, beside having them at home. It seems to us that we do not appreciate the value of education as we should. There seems to be an unwillingness to sacrifice money and labor for this, the greatest of earthly blessings, for the rising generation.

DISTRICT No. 8.

This district had three terms of school, all taught by Miss Abbie L. Hayes. Wages of teacher—the first two terms, \$22.00 per month; third term, \$24.00 per month.

DISTRICT No. 9.

Two departments. Upper school taught each of the two terms by Mrs. E. C. Cowell of Lebanon. The road traveled by the teacher of this room is not macademized, nor is the way very thickly strewn with flowers. There is much similarity between this and village schools in general. It needs a strong hand and a quick eye, reinforced by a sinewy arm to hit every case. Proper methods and correct instruction are eminently proper in their way, but good order is heaven's first law, and will bear a practical application on earth. This department contains and has contained some excellent pupils, and Mrs. Cowell is well calculated to produce good intellectual results. The teacher of this department is crippled very much for lack of proper appliances and apparatus. In sight of a new \$8,000 shoe factory, we find a schoolroom without maps, without globes, without even passable blackboards, without a decent dictionary, and a stove that has 1492 stamped on the door. These latter facts are also true of three other schoolrooms in town. The whole inside of the building is unfit for occupancy, and the seats are simply execrable. Primary department taught by Annie M. Varney each term. Mrs. Varney is a hard and consci-

entious worker in the schoolroom, and labors hard to do her whole duty. The pupils are much attached to her, and are wide awake at recitation. She labors under the same disadvantages in regard to surroundings as does Mrs. Cowell.

Wages—grammar department, \$36.00 and \$40.00; primary, \$24. Attendance, 23.47 and 20.14, and primary, 29 and 27. Number of visits by parents for both terms, 8, and primary, 12.

DISTRICT No. 10.

No. 10 is the banner school in terms of school, having three, and each taught by Georgia A. Gerrish. This district has shown exceptional good judgment by getting a good thing and keeping it. The outside of the room is not prepossessing, but the inside presents a happy contrast. It seems as if a district that can afford three terms of nine and ten weeks each, and pay \$24.00 a month, besides having money left, might make the surroundings more presentable. Miss Gerrish is one of the few teachers whose whole time and care is given to her pupils, possessing a great advantage over any who may use the schoolroom as a stepping stone to something better or to fill in a few spare hours. The pupils of this school are studious, active, prompt, and take especial pleasure in having their work scrutinized. They study and master their lessons and are not afraid of examinations.

Wages, \$24.00. Attendance, 12, 13, 13. Visits by parents for the three terms, 4.

DISTRICT No. 11.

This district had but one term of school, of 8 weeks, taught by Annie S. K. Patch. Mrs. Patch is an excellent teacher, and the children showed good progress. The surroundings are pleasant, the schoolhouse comfortable and the room bright and cheerful, as were the pupils and teacher.

Wages, \$17.12. Attendance, 12. Visitors, 2.

DISTRICT No. 12.

No. 12 had one term of school, taught by Issie K. Wilkinson, 10.4 weeks in length. Number of pupils, 10. Visitors, none. This district has been shorn of its fair proportions by a vote of the town at the recent election, leaving but three or four pupils of school age in the district. Miss Wilkinson labored diligently to make the school a success, and succeeded, as far as it was possible. Wages, \$5.50 per week.

The school committee of Milton is composed of a board of two, the town being divided into two parts for supervision, districts No. 1, 3, 7 and 8 constituting the upper division, and Nos. 2, 4, 6, 9, 10, 11 and 12 the lower. No. 1 is not reported, as no school register was returned to the committee. An attempt has been made to introduce physiology into the schools, according to law, but has thus far met with only partial success. In closing our report

for the year, we wish to give one sentiment that is paramount in importance to all others just now. It is this—parents, visit your schools.

In concluding our report, much might be said about the duties of parents, scholars and teachers. To make our schools a success, the parents should see that their children are punctual, and the scholars try to obey and make the best of their privileges, and, prudential committees, see that you procure none but good teachers, and there will be no such thing as a poor school.

W. F. WALLACE, }
W. E. PILLSBURY, } School Committee.

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